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T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. [53

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL $10,000,000
RESERVE FUND $ 5,750,000
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COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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For 3 months, 2½ per Cent. per Annum.
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T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. [31

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [32

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £ 500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

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D. Gillies, Esq. | Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
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Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1895. [7

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
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BANKERS:
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ON NEW FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months 4 per cent.
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DEPOSITS RENEWED ON OLD TERMS.

J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1895. [8

Insurances.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. [34

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED $1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1895. [247

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } $833,333·33
EQUAL TO }
RESERVE FUND $318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
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MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1895. [49

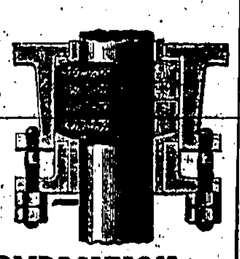
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W. JACKSON, Manager.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1896. [30



FOR THE RACES!
THE RACES! THE RACES!

THE
HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY

ARE NOW SHOWING THE FOLLOWING NEW GOODS:—

SHELL HATS (DRAB AND FAWN).
FELT HATS—LATEST SHAPES.
NOVELTIES IN SCARVES AND TIES.
LEADING STYLES IN COLLARS.
RACING COLORS MADE TO ORDER.

ORDERS PROMPTLY EXECUTED.

J. P. COTTAM,
MANAGING PARTNER.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1896. [309

RACES! RACES! RACES!

EVERY ONE HAVING A BOOTH AT THE RACES SHOULL BE SURE TO HAVE A GOOD QUANTITY OF
BRAUN'S "EXPORT" BEER
ON HAND.
IT IS A POPULAR DRINK AND YOU MAY BE SURE HUNDREDS WILL ASK FOR IT.

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Head Office:—8, D'Aguilar Street, Hongkong.
All Orders should be addressed to:—
THE MANAGER.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1896. 191c

MONTHLY RATES FOR
MEALS
AT H.K. HOTEL

BREAKFAST	$12.00
TIFFIN	15.00
DINNER	20.00
ALL 3 MEALS	42.50

FOR SALE.

G. H. MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.

In cases of 2 doz. pints $35 per case.
do 1 " quarts $33 "

SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1895. [33

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

GENERAL STORE-KEEPERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.
SHIPCHANDLERY DEPARTMENT.

SIR CHAS. PRICE & Co.'s ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.
ENGLEBERT'S CYLINDER OIL.
CRANE'S CYLINDER OIL.
VALVOLINE, CASTOR OIL, &c., &c.
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ASBESTOS PACKINGS of all kinds.
PARAGON PATENT PACKING.
ROPE, CANVAS, &c.
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HOLZAPFEL'S PATENT COMPOSITION, ANTI-CORROSIVE and ANTI-FOULING, for STEEL VESSELS.
SOAPSTONE ENAMEL COMPOSITIONS for HOLDS, BUNKERS and TOP-SIDES.
FRESH WATER SUPPLIED.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1896. [278

Intimations.

$1,000 ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS. $1,000

INSURE YOUR LIFE AGAINST FATAL ACCIDENT BY SUBSCRIBING TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

THE SCOTTISH METROPOLITAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY WILL PAY THE SUM OF

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* This premium is paid quarterly in advance by the Proprietors of *The Hongkong Telegraph*.

J. Y. V. VERNON,
AGENT.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1896. [50

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Is the best Vulnerary; its effect in stimulating the closing up of Wounds is described as amazing.

Dr. OVERLACH'S
"MIGRAININE,"

(ANTIPYRINE—CAFFEINE CITRATE)

Invaluable for MIGRAINE and of the greatest value in treating HEADACHES of definite etiology, in the HEADACHES of INFLUENZA, of NICOTINE and MORPHIA POISONING, and generally where the administration of other remedies have failed.

To be had of every reputed Chemist and Druggist. Supplies constantly on hand at the

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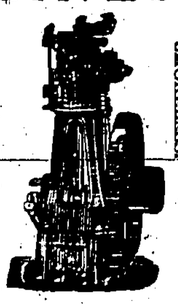
BEWARE OF SPURIOUS IMITATIONS! [84

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PETROLEUM ENGINES

OF 2 TO 12 H.P.
FOR FACTORIES AND LAUNCHES.

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15, QUEEN'S ROAD.

CHAMPAGNES,	HOCKS,	RUM,
SHERRIES,	MOSSELLES,	GINS,
PORTS,	WHITE WINE,	LIQUEURS,
CLARETS,	BRANDIES,	BITTERS,
BURGUNDIES,	WHISKIES,	ALES & STOUTS.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1895. [19

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

JUST RECEIVED. A FRESH SUPPLY OF
SALTER'S FAMOUS BLACK GUT TENNIS RACQUETS,
ALSO IN STOCK.
"THE DEMON" and other makes.
TENNIS RACQUET PRESSES.
TENNIS BALLS and TENNIS GEAR.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. 16

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY,

Nos. 11, 18 and 18 Central Market.

TRY OUR.

VEAL SAUSAGES 25 Cents per lb.
BOLOGNA SAUSAGES 50 Cents per lb.

SHIPPING AND COAST PORT ORDERS WILL HAVE PROMPT ATTENTION.

J. TATAM,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, 21th February, 1895. [49

Intimations.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business at 11.45 A.M. TO-MORROW and SATURDAY, the 21st and 22nd Instant respectively:—

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA,
T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

For the MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED,
J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.

For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, Hongkong Agency,
L. SIMON,
Acting Manager.

For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED, HONGKONG,
CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [337

INSURANCE HOLIDAYS.

HONGKONG RACES.

THE Undermentioned INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business at 11.45 A.M. TO-MORROW and SATURDAY, the 21st and 22nd Instant respectively:—

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD.
General Managers,
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.

N. J. EDE,
Secretary,
UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LD.

L. KENNARD DAVIS,
Acting Agent,
NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO., LD.

W. H. RAY,
Secretary,
CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LD.

SHEWAN & CO.,
Agents,
YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LD.

GEORGE L. TOMLIN,
Acting Secretary,
CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.

WM. MACBEAN,
Manager,
THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LD.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [350



HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1896.

TO-MORROW AND SATURDAY, the 21st and 22nd February.

TICKETS of ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE may be obtained from Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, Ld. Price $5 for the Meeting.

Tickets for the Day may be purchased at the Gate; Price, $2 each.

No one admitted without a Ticket, to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [347

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE during the Races on the 21st and 22nd Instant.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1896. [345

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NO SERVANTS will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the RACECOURSE during the Race Days *without tickets*, which can be had on application to the Undersigned.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1896 [349

THE '96 RACE MEETING.

BAY VIEW OYSTER SALOON,

MR. J. W. OSBORNE has the pleasure to announce to his many Friends and Patrons that

BAY VIEW OYSTER SALOON
is situated to the south of (*i.e.* next to) the VICTORIA HOTEL BOOTH where Oyster Tiffins will be served each DAY OF THE RACES. In this Saloon Mr. OSBORNE will have the following popular brands of high-class WINES kept on ice:—

POMMERY and GRENO,
G. H. MUMM,
CLIQUOT and
Mr. LEON A. LEVY'S
EXTRA DRY.

The BAY VIEW SALOON is comfortably furnished, the attendance all that can be desired, and the balcony so situated as to command an excellent view of the Race-course.

J. W. OSBORNE,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [351

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

SPECIAL SUNDAY EXCURSION TO MACAO.

WEATHER Permitting, the Steamer "HONAM" will leave for MACAO next SUNDAY, the 23rd instant, at 9 A.M., and on the return trip will leave MACAO at 10 P.M.

The PROCESSION of the CROSS will take place in Macao in the Afternoon.

FARE there and back, $2. No Single or Second Class Fares.

TICKETS may be obtained at the COMPANY'S OFFICE or on the Steamer before she leaves.

T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1896. [341

To-day's Advertisements.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, FOOCHOW AND SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"FOOCHOW,"

Captain Blackburne, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 24th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1896. [358

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED,

VICTORIA DISPENSARY,

HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1895. [1650

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS,

with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Clarets, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1896. [5

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writers, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

Whilst the columns of the *Hongkong Telegraph* will always be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1896.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

PARLIAMENTARY.

LONDON, February 18th.

The House of Commons has voted the Address.

THE TRANSVAAL INCIDENT.

The Officers of Dr. Jameson's force who held the Queen's Commission will be tried by Court Martial.

THE IRISH PARTY.

Mr. Dillon has been elected leader of the Irish (Anti-Parnellite) party.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE latest attempt to lift the dredger *Anding* at Shanghai has failed.

THE U.S. cruiser *Detroit*, with the American Admiral on board, is expected to arrive at Shanghai shortly.

AT the Magistracy this morning, a quartermaster of the steamer *Tsinan* was charged with stealing $160 from the chief officer of that vessel while on the voyage from Sydney to this port. He was committed for trial.

AN extensive fire occurred on the 9th in the crowded district east of and close to the Roman Catholic cathedral at Tunkadoo, near Shanghai. Twenty houses were destroyed and two boys and a female servant lost their lives.

A RETURNED Chinese emigrant from Australia, who had carefully carried two muzzle-loading guns from way back in the bush to this port, was relieved of the responsibility by the Magistrate this morning, who ordered them to be confiscated.

THE Chinaman, named Lim Bon Siok, who was convicted at the last Assizes at Penang of the murder of a fellow-countryman at Prangin Lane, in October last, was hanged there on the 5th instant. A Straits contemporary says the prisoner appeared to be quite unconcerned as to his fate, and, while being strapped, gave a good deal of trouble to the warders and the native hangman.

IT has now been arranged to hold the proposed public meeting, in connection with Centenary of the London Missionary Society, on Wednesday, 4th March next, at 4.30 p.m. The City Hall trustees have been applied to for the loan of the Theatre Royal. We understand that his Lordship the Acting Chief Justice has consented to take the chair, and that representatives of nearly all the local Missions will take part in the meeting.

"H. T. P." says, in a letter to *The Bookman*, "Altogether, if the office of Laureate be something more than a pet y insular distinction, if it is to become one of the innumerable symbols of Anglo-Saxon unity, a possession of Greater Britain, and if our whole race could choose its occupant, it is unthinkable that the choice should be a matter of any doubt, or should single out another name than that of Rudyard Kipling."

SAYS the *Sydney Bulletin*:—The Victoria Race Club Committee regards as impracticable that scratchings should not be allowed after noon on the day previous to the races, until a valid excuse is tendered. If applied to all manner of trumpery meetings, of which the public take little notice, that might be so; but it's a workable scheme so far as big handicaps are concerned. Late scratchings through spite against sweep-ticket-holders, or failure to work a good stable commission at long odds, or because "I'm always unlucky on that course," have occurred often enough.

SUNG, the Financial Treasurer of Chekiang province, says the *China Gazette*, has recently posted up a proclamation about himself in which he says that for 30 years he has ruled without "squeezing" or taking bribes or allowing any official under him to do so, or even his servants or anyone around his Yamen, and in every way he and those around him have believed in honesty being the best policy. Lately it has come to his ears that some mischief-making people have been spreading reports quite the contrary as to his character, and also as to his officials. He is most anxious to get at the root of the matter, and find out who is spreading those false reports, and offers the following sums to the person or persons unknown for information that will lead to the execution of the culprits: $400, for their execution; $200 for their banishment out of the country and for their bamboozling $100.

THE following, anent a tipster, appears in a recent *Bulletin*:—The obvious reason for a sporting tipster's invariable failure to tip a winner, or get near to so doing, is his want of brains. That is presuming he knows something of the subject and tries his best to hit the mark. After a tipster has collected a certain amount of possible truth, derived from facts, suggestions, hints, indirect evidence, or reasonable conclusions founded on experience, concerning certain horses likely to start for a certain race, he has then to weigh these bits of "information" in his mind. He must consider, not only the horses, but the men connected with them, and the probabilities of some men having less, or more, good reason for their confidence than other men. The only way to get reliable tips is to be Platonic friends to the lady friends of leading jockeys. Given such a Platonic friend, and supposing that he knew the latest ideas of every stable that fancied its chance—the well-informed individual's knowledge is dangerous unless he can bring a wise discrimination to bear upon his estimate of the conflicting fancies. He can do no more. He can't foresee good or bad luck. These remarks apply only to big races in which "goers" are many, not to pettifogging events that are, to a large extent, arranged 24 hours or 24 minutes before the start. To discuss *them* seriously in a weekly newspaper is absurd.

MEMORANDA.

THURSDAY,—20th February.

The Transfer books of the National Bank, Limited, will be closed from this date to the 7th prox., inclusive.

FRIDAY, 21st February.

11.45 a.m.—Local Banks and Insurance offices close.

Noon.—Jockey Club Races.

SATURDAY,—22nd February.

The Transfer Books of the Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., close from this date to the 6th prox., inclusive.

11.45 a.m.—Local Banks and Insurance offices close.

Noon.—Jockey Club Races.

Noon.—*Peru* leaves for San Francisco, *via* usual ports of call.

9.30 p.m.—Repetition of "Trial by Jury" by the A. D. C. at the Theatre Royal, City Hall.

SUNDAY,—23rd February.

7 a.m.—English Mail due.

9 a.m.—*Honam* will proceed to Macao on an excursion trip, weather permitting.

HONGKONG RACES, 1896.

STEWARDS:—His Excellency Sir William Robinson, K.C.M.G.; His Excellency Vice Admiral Alex. Buller, C.B.; His Excellency Major-General Wilsone Black, C.B.; Commodore Boyes, R.N.; Colonel Anstey, R.E. Major The Hon. E. Noel, The Rifle Brigade Lieut.-Colonel H. T. Faithfull, Hongkong Regiment; Major W. D. Gamett-Botfield, R.A. The Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving; The Hon. C. E. Chater; A. Coxon, Esq.; R. M. Gray, Esq.; M. Grote, Esq.; C. F. Harton, Esq.; J. L. Humphreys, Esq.; T. Jackson, Esq.; R. Shewan, Esq.; The Hon. T. H. Whitehead.

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FIRST DAY,—THURSDAY, 20TH FEBRUARY.

This, the opening day of the races, was cold and raw, and threatened to be as miserable as the past inclement training season, during which it has been almost impossible to extend any of the mokes at full speed. For years past it has been observed that "China New Year weather is always beastly," and, as all of our readers know only too well, this year has been exceptionally bad. Yesterday gave promise of some slight favour being shown the Jockey Club meet by the "Clerk of the Weather," but, though the condition of the track has been somewhat improved by the grace of Jupiter Pluvius, who has relaxed his efforts to prevent a water-famine, the early day was not such as to tempt any but true lovers of sport to Wong-nei-chong. Fortunately, however, the rain kept off, and the day, though chilly, turned out more favourable than could be expected.

Long before mid-day the neighbourhood of the clock-tower showed evidence of the momentous occasion, everyone met being feverishly anxious to finish what business had to be done as early as possible, and a long time before the first saddling bell was timed to sound a steady stream of racegoers was speeding eastwards, though the bright colours indicating the presence of the fair six, whose attendance adds so much to the enjoyment of a race meeting, were absent until later in the day. But at Happy Valley itself, as the day wore on, the scene was exceedingly brilliant, and gave ocular evidence that the late era of hard times, of which so much has been heard, is, in very truth, a thing of the past. The assemblage was fully on a par with the great days of the past, on which it was the boast that at least 20,000 people witnessed the contest for the blue riband event—the Derby. The picture was indeed gorgeous, the bright colours of the ladies' dresses, topped by the bunting flying from and decorating the various booths, being a fitting centre for the vast concourse of holiday-loving Chinese, dressed in their many-hued robes, many of whom showed as keen an interest in the national British sport as the latest arrived griffin could do.

The track was slow, but not nearly as bad as had been expected, so "Early Bird" proved himself a fair prophet. The second race, the Ashley Cup, proved a terrible upset, being won by a rank outsider, Mr. Jay's Ambitious, ably ridden by Mr. M. Jones. The Valley Stakes and Derby both called forth exceptionally large fields, and for both these races our tips for first place proved to be correct. The fifteen starters for the Derby was the greatest number ever seen here, but, thanks to the excellent judgment of the starters, they were sent off at the second trial. Standard, ridden easily, came up rapidly when called upon, and won with scarcely an effort, his time, 3.22, although 9½ seconds slower than the record, made in 1891 by Ardent, being fully equivalent to that under the conditions. The win was very popular, the lucky jockey, Mr. Burkill, being carried around the enclosure by his backers.

The WONG-NEI-CHONG STAKES; a sweepstakes of $5 each with $100 added; second pony to receive $50; for China ponies *bona fide* griffins on date of entry; weight for inches as per scale; subscription griffins of this season, 1895-96, allowed 5 lbs. Half a mile.—

Mr. Master's g. Niggler, 10st 12lb...Mr. Master 1
Mr. Buxey's ch. Planet, 11st 4lb...Mr. Crawford 2
Capt. F. R. Loveband's g. Artexerxes, 11st 1lb Colonel The O'Gorman 3

Messrs. Alexander & Taylor's cr. Koumiss, 11st 4lb.....Mr. Taylor 0
Mr. Carruthers' br. Marathon, 10st 10lb.....Mr. Cruickshank 0
Mr. Derick Hunter's g. Truce, 10st 12lb.....Mr. Midwood 0
Mr. Fourman's d. Scorpion, 11st 1lb.....Mr. Jones 0
Mr. J. D. Humphreys' g. Vapour, 10st 12lb...Mr. Hart Buck 0
Hon. H. L. S. Lee-Dillon's g. The Beast, 11st 1lb.....Mr. Power 0
Mr. Tithong's b. Dragon, 10st 4lb...Mr. Grosson 0

After Scorpion had played ducks and drakes round the course twice the field was despatched, with Niggler and Koumiss in the lead. Entering the Straight, Niggler was challenged by Planet, Koumiss and Artexerxes, but held his own, cleverly and desperately ridden by Mr. Master, and won by a head, a head separating the second and third, Planet and Artexerxes. Koumiss a good fourth. Time, 1 min. 05 secs.

The ASHLEY CUP; presented by D. R. Sassoon, Esq.; for China ponies; entrance fees to go to the winner; second pony to receive $50; weight for inches as per scale; entrance $5. One mile.

Mr. Jay's br. Ambitious, 11st 1lb ...Mr. Jones 1
Mr. Dryasdust's d. Shiney William, 11st 4lb... Mr. Marshall 2
Mr. Buxey's blk. Black Velvet, 11st 1lb Mr. Crawford 3
Mr. Boyd's ch. Dunmore, 11st 4lb Mr. Burkill 0
Mr. Buxey's ch. Ambassador, 10st 12lb.....Mr. Grosson 0
Mr. Chancery's ch. Despatch, 10st 12lb.....Mr. Taylor 0
Mr. J. D. Humphreys' ch. Voltigeur, 11st 1lb Mr. Hart Buck 0
Mr. John Peel's d. The Laird, 11st 1lb Mr. Master 0
Major Thomas' d. Morrison, 10st 12lb Mr. Midwood 0

Mr. Buxey declared best to win.

This was a great upset, as much as 10 to 1 being offered against Ambitious, who won from the favourite, Shiney William, pretty easily in 2 min 10½ secs. Black Velvet was a good third.

The MAIDEN STAKES; value $400; second pony to receive $75; third, $50; for China ponies *bona fide* griffins on date of entry; weight for inches as per scale; entrance $10. Three-quarter of a mile.

Mr. John Peel's d. Bluebell (late Constable), 11st 1lb Mr. Master 1
Mr. Buxey's ch. Comet, 11st 1st Mr. Crawford 2
Mr. Newman's Telegraph, 10st 12lb Mr. Burkill 3
Messrs. Alexander & Taylor's m. Kingcote, 11st 1lb Mr. Taylor 0
Messrs. Alexander & Taylor's cr. Koumiss, 11st 4lb. Mr. Midwood 0
Mr. Boyd's g. Paradox, 10st 12lb Mr. Boyd ... 0
Mr. Chancery's br. Consul, 11st 1lb Mr. Marshall 0
Lord C. Conyngham's g. Monte Carlo, 10st 9lb Mr. Radcliffe 0
Mr. Fourman's blk. Sepoy, 11st 1lb Mr. Jones 0
Mr. J. D. Humphreys' g. Visitant II., 10st 12st Mr. Hart Buck 0
Mr. John Peel's ch. Heatherbell, 11st 1st.....Mr. Cruickshank 0
Hon. H. L. S. Lee-Dillon's g. The Beast, 11st 1st Mr. Power 0
Capt. F. R. Loveband's g. Artexerxes, 11st 1lb The O'Gorman 0
Mr. Newman's ch. Times, 11st 1lb Mr. Hunt 0

A fair start was effected, with Heatherbell and Bluebell in the lead. Heatherbell led up to the Black Rock, when Sepoy, hard ridden by Mr. Jones, challenged. Coming into the Straight Bluebell, cleverly ridden throughout by Mr. Master, forged to the front and being challenged by Comet and Telegraph a splendid tussle down the Straight resulted in a victory for the popular "Blue and Silver." Time, 1 min. 35½ sec.

The FOOCHOW CUP; value $200; presented by the Foochow community; second pony to receive $50; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance $5. Two miles.

Mr. Fourman's ch. Sinner, 11st 4lb.....Mr. Burkill 1
Mr. Boyd's g. Bluejacket, 10st 9lb Mr. Midwood 2
Mr. Dryasdust's g. Cobweb, 11st 1lb Mr. Marshall 3
Mr. Tiawo's blk. Diabletin, 10st 12lb Mr. Jones 0
Mr. John Peel's w. Torchlight, 10st 12lb.....Mr. Master 0
Lord C. Conyngham's, g. Monte Cristo, 11st 4lb Mr. Taylor 0

Sinner and Torchlight led from the fall of the flag until reaching the Black Rock, where Cobweb was lying third. Passing the Stand the second time these places were maintained, but shortly after getting round the bend Torchlight dashed to the front and forced the pace. Sinner, however, was not to be denied, and at the mile and a half post was almost on even terms. Here Cobweb made his effort, while Bluejacket was apparently out of the hunt. From the Black Rock home a ding-dong race ensued. Bluejacket joined the leaders in the Straight, but Sinner came away at the distance post, Bluejacket, full of running, followed him and Torchlight eased up, seeing it was hopeless, and the race was ultimately won by Sinner by a length and a half from Bluejacket; Cobweb a bad third. Torchlight pulled up and Monte Cristo was distanced. Time, 4 mins. 44½ secs.

The VALLEY STAKES; a sweepstakes of $5 each, with $200 added; first pony to receive 70 per cent.; second, 20 per cent.; third, 10 per cent.; for subscription griffins of this season, 1895-96; weight for inches as per scale. Three-quarters of a mile.

Mr. Arnold's d. Straightforward, 10st 2lb.....Mr. Master 1
Mr. Burder's cr. Sensation, 10st 12lb.....Mr. Crawford 2
Lieut.-Col. The O'Gorman's w. Albany, 10st 9lb Mr. Taylor 3
Mr. Childwick's blk. Besique, 10st 12lb.....Mr. Radcliffe 0
Mr. Derick-Hunter's g. Armistice, 11st 1lb...Mr. Midwood 0
Mr. Fourman's g. Sinbad, 10st 9lb.....Mr. Burkill 0
Mr. J. D. Humphreys' spd. Variation, 10st 12lb Mr. Hart Buck 0
Mr. Jay's cr. Herold, 10st 12lb Mr. Hunt 0
Mr. Leon's g. Flaneur, 10st 9lb...Mr. Brooke 0
Mr. Medico's ch. M.D. 10st 12lb Mr. Thomas 0
Major G. K. Moore's d. Bachasheesh, 10st 12lb Mr. Paley 0
Dr. Noble's g. Presto, 10st 12lb...Mr. Gresson 0
Mr. Quintett's rn. Cocktail, 11st 1lb.....Mr. Marshall 0
Mr. Roy's w. Snowdrift, 11st 1lb.....Mr. Gedge 0
Mr. Tierce's g. Bantam, 10st 6lb.....Mr. Cruickshank 0
Mr. Tilbro's g. Sleepy Jim, 10st 12lb Mr. Jones 0

This short sweepstake brought out the largest field seen on Happy Valley for a long time, sixteen ponies facing the starters. The start was quickly made, all the ponies well together, with Presto, followed by Albany, slightly leading. At the mile and a half post Albany had taken the lead, with three ponies in a bunch just behind him, that order being maintained to the Black Rock. After passing this, Straightforward, (our tip), came to the front, leading by four lengths at the 1½ post and by eight at the quarter post. Though challenged by Sensation in the Straight it was evident nothing could touch him, and he romped in an easy winner five lengths ahead of Sensation, who led Albany by three lengths, the field in a bunch behind. Time, 1 min. 35 secs.

The HONGKONG DERBY; a sweepstakes of $20 each with $1,000 added (half forfeit if declared on or before day of closing entries); for China ponies *bona fide* griffins on date of entry (Saturday, 11th January, 1896); first pony to receive 70 per cent.; second, 20 per cent.; third, 10 per cent.; weight for inches as per scale. One mile and a half. (Nominations close to the Clerk of the Course at the Club on Saturday, the 28th December, 1895.)

Mr. Newman's g. Standard, 11st 1lb Mr. Burkill 1
Mr. Fourman's g. Scandal, 11st 4lb..Mr. Jones 2
Mr. Buxey's d. Surprise, 11st 12lb Mr. Thomas 3
Messrs. Alexander & Taylor's rn. Grey Leg, 11st 1lb Mr. Taylor 0
Messrs. Alexander & Taylor's ch. Kingscote, 11st 1lb.....Mr. Radcliffe 0
Messrs. Alexander & Taylor's g. Son of a Gun, 11st 1lb Mr. Marshall 0
Mr. Boyd's g. Paradox, 10st 12lb Mr. Boyd ... 0
Mr. Burey's br. Mystery, 10st 12lb Mr. Crawford 0
Mr. Derick-Hunter's g. Speedwell, 11st 1lb...Mr. Midwood 0
Mr. J. D. Humphreys' g. Vagabond, 10st 12lb Mr. Hart Buck 0
Mr. J. D. Humphreys' g. Visitant II., 10st 12lb Mr. Gresson 0
Mr. John Peel's d. Bellringer, 11st 4lb Mr. Master 0
Mr. John Peel's b. Bellman, 10st 9lb.....Mr. Cruickshank 0
Capt. F. R. Loveband's blk. Xerxes, 10st 12lb The O'Gorman 0
Mr. Newman's ch. Times, 11st 1lb Mr. Hunt 0

This event likewise brought out a large field, fifteen, the greatest number ever entered for the Blue Riband honours, coming to the post. Bellman caused some trouble by running on to the road, but soon returned. A good start was made at the second trial, with Speedwell in the lead, followed by Times and Parodox. Speedwell was soon four lengths ahead but at the 1½ post Times had collared him, with Paradox close behind. Passing the Stand the first time, Times led, Paradox second, followed by Bellringer, with the rest in a bunch two lengths behind. At the Bridge Standard, Vagabond and Mystery were closing up on the leaders, who were visibly weakening. At the half mile post Times still led, but Standard had closed up and was pressing him, with Mystery, Bellringer and Vagabond following. At the quarter post Standard had taken a good lead Brigand second, with Scandal and Mystery coming up. In the Straight Standard was unapproachable, and won by five lengths, but whips and spurs were freely used on Bellringer Vagabond, Scandal and Surprise, the latter two having a hard tussle for second place, Scandal winning by a neck. Time, 3 min. 22 secs.

The LUSITANO CUP; presented by the members of the Club Lusitano; second pony to receive half the entrance fees; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; previous winners at this meeting 7 lbs. extra; subscription griffins of this season, 1895-96, allowed 7 lbs; entrance $10. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Boyd's g. Dunblane, 11st 1lb...Mr. Burkill 1
Mr. John Peel's b. Tocsin, 11st 4lb...Mr. Master 2
Mr. Dryasdust's g. Kindar, 10st 9lb.....Mr. Taylor 3
Mr. Derick-Hunter's sp. Satrap, 10st 12lb.....Mr. Midwood 0
Mr. Graham's g. Baccarat, 11st 1lb.....Mr. Gresson 0
Mr. J. D. Humphreys' Vicar, 11st 4lb.....Mr. Hart Buck 0

Dunblane, very skilfully ridden throughout, won by three and a half lengths from Tocsin, the hot favourite, in 2 min. 47½ sec.

The HONGKONG CLUB CUP; presented; second pony to receive half the entrance fees; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance $15. One mile and a half.

Mr. John Peel's ch. Pineapple, 10st 9lb.....Mr. Master 1
Mr. Buxey's w. Mayberry, 10st 12lb Mr. Crawford 2
Mr. Newman's ch. Komatsu, 11st 1lb Mr. Burkill 3
Mr. Boyd's w. Dunboyne, 11st 4lb Mr. Boyd 0
Mr. Fourman's blk. Sepoy, 11st 1lb Mr. Jones 0
Capt. F. R. Loveband's blk. Xerxes, 10st 12st The O'Gorman 0
Mr. Power & Lord C. Conyngham's blk. Borderer, 10st 12lb.....Mr. Taylor 0

Pineapple jumped off with the lead, but his rider, Mr. Master, preferred, and rightly so, to lay off second or third for the greater part of the journey, resigning, without an effort, premier position to Borderer, who led past the Stand with Pineapple at his flank. Going up the Back Straight Pineapple collared the leader and at the Rock was five lengths ahead of the field. At this point Mr. Crawford shook up Mayberry and he came into the Straight about three lengths in the rear of Pineapple, whom he never seriously challenged, the race being won by the Mr. John Peel's pony easily in 3 min. 22½ secs.

The COMPRADORS' CUP; presented; second pony to receive half the entrance fees; for subscription griffins of this season, 1895-96; weight for inches as per scale; winner of Valley Stakes 5 lbs. extra; entrance $5. One mile.

Mr. Fourman's g. Sinbad, 10st 9lb Mr. Burkill 1
Mr. Derick-Hunter's d. Burnside, 11st 1lb.....Mr. Midwood 2
Mr. Peter Paul's g. Leonidas, 10st 9lb.....Mr. Jones 3
Mr. Burder's cr. Sensation, 11st 4lb.....Mr. Gresson 0
Mr. Buxey's ch. Lightheart, 11st 1lb.....Mr. Crawford 0
Mr. Carruthers' gr. Pundra, 10st 9lb.....Mr. Cruickshank 0
Mr. Charles' g. Piquet, 11st 1lb Mr. Taylor 0
Mr. George's br. Howlet, 10st 9lb.....Mr. Fullerton 0
Mr. J. D. Humphrey's g. Vehicle Ordinance, 10st 12lb Mr. Gedge 0
Mr. John Peel's cr. Canary, 10st 9lb.....Mr. Master 0
Mr. Medico's b. Microbe, 10st 9lb.....Mr. Thomas 0
Mr. Power's g. Ballyshoe, 10st 9lb Mr. Power 0
Mr. Quintet's br. Bamboo, 11st 1lb.....Mr. Marshall 0

This was one of the best races of the day. Vehicle Ordinance made the running and led by several lengths until approaching the Black Rock, on the road home, where the field closed up on him, and Burnside, coming through in grand style, led into the Straight, where he was soon challenged by Sinbad, who caught him inside the distance and won by two length in 2 min. 14 secs.

The ENCOURAGEMENT STAKES; a sweepstakes of $5 with $100 added; for subscription griffins of this season, 1895-96; first pony to receive 70 per cent.; second, 20 per cent.; third, 10 per cent.; previous winners excluded; weight for inches as per scale. Once round.

Mr. Tilbro's g. Sleepy Jim, 10st 12lb Mr. Jones 1
Mr. Darius' ch. Spartan, 10st 9lb...Mr. Master 2
Mr. Derick-Hunter's ch. Nestling, 11st 12lb Mr. Midwood 3
Mr. R. Alexander's d. Blue Green, 10st 9lb... Mr. Taylor 0
Gen. Black's ch. Chance, 10st 12lb Mr. Stirling 0
Mr. Carruthers' br. Marathon, 11st 1lb.....Mr. Radcliffe 0
Mr. Childwick's blk. Besique 10st 12lb.....Mr. Hart Buck 0
Mr. Fourman's b. Sailor, 11st 1lb Mr. Burkill 0
Mr. Inglis' br. Mockery, 10st 12lb Mr. Gresson 0
Hon. H. L. S. Lee-Dillon's g. Milk Punch 10st 9lb Mr. Power 0
Lieut.-Col. The O'Gorman's w. Albany, 10st 9lb The O'Gorman 0
Mr Quintet's rn. Cocktail, 11st 1lb.....Mr. Marshall 0
Mr. Tierce's g. Bantam, 10st 6lb Mr. Cruickshank 0

This resulted in a very popular, although somewhat startling win for the owner of Sleepy Jim, which was very well and cleverly ridden by Mr. Morton Jones. The field was sent off well, Spartan for a while making the running with Nestling at his flank. Approaching the Rock Sleepy Jim drew up and challenged the leader, who held on gamely and was only beaten after reaching the distance post, where the winner passed him and won a very well-contested race. Nestling, the favourite, was only an indifferent third. Time, 2 min. 01 secs.

TIPS.

"Early Bird" sends us the following tips for to-morrow.

The Scurry Stakes.
Surprise 1
Telegraph 2
Bluebell 3

The Exchange Plate.
Sinner 1
Bluejacket 2
Cobweb 3

The Garrison Cup.
Standard 1
Scandal 2
Bellman 3

The German Cup.
Variation 1
Armistice 2
Straightforward 3

The Professional Cup.
Shiney William 1
Black Velvet 2
Komatsu 3

The Jockey Cup.
Captain Hunt's mount.

The Flyaway Stakes.
Surprise 1
Koumiss 2
Spartan 3

The Tai Yeuk Fong Cup.
Scandal 1
Mystery 2
Sepoy 3

The Navy Cup.
Sinner 1
Cobweb 2
Borderer 3

The Gymkhana Stakes.
Armistice 1
Leonidas 2
Sleepy Jim 3

SECOND DAY,—FRIDAY, 21ST FEBRUARY.

The following is the programme for to-morrow:—

The SCURRY STAKES; a sweepstakes of $10 each; for China ponies *bona fide* griffins on date of entry; second pony to receive $50; weight for inches as per scale; winners 7lbs extra. One mile.

The EXCHANGE PLATE; presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong; second pony to receive $50; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; *bona fide* griffins on date of entry allowed 5lbs.; winners at this meeting 5lbs. extra; entrance $10. One mile and three-quarters.

The GARRISON CUP; presented by the Officers of the Garrison; second pony to receive $75; for China ponies *bond fide* griffins on date of entry; weight for inches as per scale; winner 7lbs. extra; entrance $10. One mile and a quarter.

The GERMAN CUP; presented by the members of the German Club; second pony to receive half the entrance fees; for subscription griffins of this season, 1895-96; weight for inches as per scale; winners 7lbs extra. One mile and a quarter.

The PROFESSIONAL CUP; presented; second pony to receive half the entrance fees; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; winners of one race at this meeting 7 lbs. extra; of two or more races, 10lbs. extra; previous non-starters to carry 12st; entrance $10. One mile and a quarter.

The JOCKEY CUP; value $100; second pony to receive $50; for subscription ponies of any season winners excluded; to be ridden by jockeys who have never had a winning mount previous to this meeting in Hongkong or China; weight for inches as per scale; entrance $5. One mile.

The FLYAWAY STAKES; a sweepstakes of $5 each with $100 added; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; subscription ponies of any season, non-winners, allowed 7lbs; subscription ponies of any season, winners, allowed 3lbs; previous winners at this meeting 7lbs. extra. Three-quarters of a mile.

The TAI YEUK FONG CUP; value $200; presented by J. D. Humphreys, Esq.; second pony to receive $50; for China ponies *bond fide* griffins on date of entry; subscription griffins weight for inches as per scale, other griffins 7lbs. extra; previous winners 7lbs. extra; entrance $10. One mile and a half.

The NAVY CUP; presented by Officers of H.M. fleet; second pony to receive half the entrance fees; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; previous winners at this meeting of one race 5 lbs. extra; of two races 7 lbs. extra; and of three or more races 10 lbs. extra; non-starters at this meeting excluded; entrance $10. One mile and a half.

The GYMKHANA STAKES; value $150, presented by the Gymkhana Committee, added to a sweepstakes of $5 each; for subscription ponies of any season; winners and previous non-starters excluded; first pony to receive 70 per cent.; second, 20 per cent.; third, 10 per cent.; weight for inches as per scale. One mile.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

JAPAN AND KOREA.

From Yokohama exchanges to the 10th, Kobe to the 11th, and Nagasaki to the 15th, we take the following items:—

The Korean Bodyguard is to be doubled.

During 1895, 1,185 deaths occurred in Nagasaki.

The N. Y. K. have closed their branch office at Sasebo.

85,915 catties of tea were shipped from Kobe during January.

A banquet was given to the Chinese Minister in Tokio on the 5th.

Twenty-nine Foreign men-of-war visited Nagasaki last year.

The Japanese in Chemulpo have formed an electric light company.

It is estimated that the repair of Nikko Temple will cost over $800,000.

A landship near Sasebo on January 30th destroyed several houses.

A new paper, the *Nippon Bansai Shimbun*, is to be started at Osaka.

The total number of cattle attacked by rinderpest in Tokio is 167.

Cotton spinning and mining machinery is to be manufactured in Nagoya.

On the 31st ult. a fire at Owashimachi, Mie Prefecture, destroyed 200 houses.

A strong gale blew in Kobe on the 9th and 10th, resembling a small typhoon.

During December last 772 marriages and 181 divorces were registered in Tokio.

The Japan Railway Co. has distributed a 10 per cent. dividend for the past year.

Admiral Tsuboi, Commander of Port Arthur, returned to Tokio on February 7th.

The Yokohama Fire Insurance Co., with $10,000,000 Capital, is being formed.

It is proposed to build a Japanese House of Parliament at a cost of yen 3,000,000.

Two gamblers were to have fought a duel in Kobe recently, but the Police interferred.

It will cost the Japanese Government $9,000 a year to teach two Korean Princes Japanese.

The total export value of silk and silk goods from Yokohama during January was $2,608,550.

Thirteen Japanese companies declared dividends for last year ranging from 15% to 30 per cent.

The French cruiser *Alger* has been granted permission to visit several unopened Japanese ports.

A Company is being formed in Nagoya to manufacture locomotives and other railway materials.

It is estimated that each spindle in Japan earned between $1.40 and $6.76 during the last half-year.

Kin Ka-Chio, Korean Minister-Designate to Japan, has been arrested for embezzling Government moneys.

On January 22nd five person were killed, three wounded, and nine houses damaged by an avalanche in Hokkaido.

Mr. Layard is to be H. M. acting Consul at Tamsui. The other Consuls in Formosa are not to take up their ports till next year.

Out of 11,000 deaths of Japanese soldiers since the opening of the war, the *Hochi* estimates that 1,200 only died from the effects of battle.

While being towed into Kobe on the 6th the American ship *M. L. Cushing* collided with the American ship *Emily Reed*. Damage slight.

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The China Navigation Co.'s steamer *Tsinan*, Captain G. Ramsay, with the Australian mail, arrived in port to-day. For the following telegrams we are indebted to our Colonial exchanges:—

SYDNEY, February 1st.

A terrific gale occurred on the North Queensland coast on Saturday and Sunday last week, accompanied by a deluge of rain. Great damage was caused to shipping along the coast. Heavy floods are reported, sweeping away houses and doing other damage. Boats are now out rescuing the flooded-out settlers. Thirteen cases of drowning are reported, but it is feared the loss of life is much greater. The whole country along the banks of the rivers in the neighbourhood of Townsville, Cairns, and Rockhampton is under water, and the damage to property is estimated to be at least half a

million sterling. Eighteen inches of rain fell in two days.

BRISBANE, January 27th.

Intense excitement prevailed here to-day when it became known that the A.U.S.N. Company's steamer *Glanworth* had been wrecked on the coast near Gladstone. The vessel, which was in command of Captain W. Knight, was employed in connection with the company's Queensland coast service, connecting with the larger boats of the line from the southern ports.

At the time of the disaster she was bound from Rockhampton to Gladstone *en route* to Brisbane, and carried a large number of passengers. Her cargo consisted chiefly of Queensland produce, about 500 tons in all. The passengers were saved.

SYDNEY, January 25th.

At no time yesterday was the temperature higher than 93; yet people complained of the heat. The few cool days that had followed the record reading of 108.5 rendered anything over 90 most objectionable. There was that moisture about the atmosphere, too, which made it most oppressive. One grew tired, trying to keep cool. The thermometer certainly rose higher than is usual with a strong northeasterly blowing; 85 or 86 is the general rule with such a breeze, and, as Mr. Russell himself put it, "the hot currents from the interior must have been met with to send the temperature up to 93." That, at any rate, is preferable to the heat of the now historic Monday. It only brings in its train an unquenchable thirst. Ice was at a premium. The principal mediums for the supply of that valuable commodity were unable to keep up their usual rounds. This was, perhaps, the greatest calamity so far as the city was concerned. The Water and Sewerage Board got through the day without a single telephonic complaint from the city or suburbs.

But the last fortnight has left its mark in and around Sydney. Deaths have been more numerous owing to the heat. In Sydney proper the number of deaths registered from January 1st up to date is 155, which is far in excess of the usual number. In December, which was also a hot month, the deaths in the city of Sydney totalled 131, and that was above the average. And yet with another week of January to run, 155 deaths have already been recorded. The suburban returns are not yet in; but according to the experience of the principal cemeteries they will be higher than usual. So far as can be gathered by a comparison with previous years, the death-rate this month is some 45 per cent. above the average.

THE CZAR'S CORONATION.

The imperial coronation shortly to take place in Moscow will doubtless be one of the grandest state displays ever witnessed in Europe, says the *Boston Transcript*. Russian coronations are not numerous; an occasion of this kind comes but once in a life-time, and the policy of the Russian imperial family has always been to dazzle the eyes of their subjects by magnificent court dramas, in which the Czar is really a Czar. To this end Russian coronations have been made as splendid as the resources of the empire could permit.

The coronation of the Emperor who has just passed away cost over $4,000,000; that of his predecessor considerably over $5,000,000; but in each case a show was provided for the people of Russia that was vividly remembered until supplanted in the popular mind by the splendors of the next. The coronation is regarded as much more than the simple act of placing a bauble on the head of the first man in the state; it is a series of gorgeous ceremonials; and the people of every nation that forms a part of the greatest empire on the earth are required, through their representatives, to assist, while the spectacle is made still more brilliant by the presence of the ambassadors of every Power on the globe, and of large numbers of princes of the reigning houses, for royalty always assembles on these occasions to congratulate the newly crowned monarch.

The preparations for a Russian coronation are very elaborate, and comprise among other things the laying up of great stores of provisions in Moscow, for the houses of that venerable city are compelled on coronation occasions to entertain from 500,000 to 650,000 strangers, who journey to witness the ceremonies. Every province in the empire sends a deputation; every tribe in the far-away districts of Siberia, on the steppes of Central Asia, from the Kbivans to the Esquimaux along the shores of Bering Strait, sends one or more representatives to present the homage of the tribe to the great White Czar. Poles, Finlanders, Laplanders, Cossacks, Russians of a dozen names, Circassians, Georgians, Bashkirs, Turks—for the Russian empire contains millions of Mohammedans, Tcheskesses, Abassians, Calmucks, Tartars, Karapapaks, Daghistanis, Armenians, Kurds, Chinese, from the districts conquered by Russia from China, Mongols, deputies from dozens of wandering nations in the heart of Asia for over 50 different languages and double that number of dialects are spoken in the Russian domains, and the people of every language must present their homage to the Czar in their own tongue. The imperial coronations always take place in the cathedral of the Assumption, one of the many in the Kremlin.

SOME ASPECTS OF BOOKMAKING.

CALCUTTA, January 17th.

A Public Pronouncement on bookmakers, like that recently uttered by Mr. Baggallay, the Magistrate of the West Ham Police Court, starts some curious reflections. Here we have the victim of a ruffianly terrorism told plainly that because he carries on the business of a bookmaker the protection of his person is not recognized by the law. "I dismiss the summons," said Mr. Baggallay; "the business carried on by the complainant is a curse to society, and so long as he carries it on he must protect himself." Perhaps it was right for the West Ham Magistrate to dissemble his love, but why he should metaphorically kick the unfortunate bookmaker downstairs in this manner is an interesting problem in magisterial ethics. "He hath laughed at my losses," exclaims Shylock of Antonio, "and what's his reason? I am a Jew." And apparently in the same way Mr. Baggallay argues about bookmakers. Any stick is good enough to beat a dog with. Yes? Well then let us examine our "dog" a little closer. Mr. Baggallay calls the bookmaker, a "curse to society," and he is not the first person who has done so. The bucket-shop keeper is a curse to society, so too is the pickpocket, so too is the cardsharper, and the horse-coper, and the beggar, and the usurer, and so too is Phryne of Piccadilly, and so, too, are a hundred and one other species of the *genus homo*, according to some people, though if "society" looked into the matter a little closer it would probably be surprised to find that it had a very large hand in making them all. It is a difficult matter to separate "society" from its "curses." But let us return to our bookmaker. Bookmaking is a trade, and unless people have some acquaintance with the transactions of the betting ring, and the world that constitutes the betting ring, a mere academical and ethical analysis of the subject will at the best give only a one-sided view of the matter. It is not sufficient to say that rascality finds its place on the Turf, because this assertion leaves the real question at issue quite undecided. Rascality finds a place everywhere. As Tennyson puts it:—

> Chalk and alum and plaster are sold to the poor for bread,
> And the spirit of *murder* works in the very means of life.

"An honest man's the noblest work of God" exclaimed Pope, and while he was about it, he might have added "the rarest." Professor Momerie, in one of his published sermons entitled "Right Doing" observes: "Think of the enormous amount of crime that has been perpetrated this century with public companies," and with the last page in the history of the Liberator Trials just turned over, we have a colossal instance in point of the popular preacher's observation. But directors of public companies are all "honourable men" until they are found out, and public companies themselves have the support of the clergy and the respectable classes of the community from one end of the Empire to the other. Stock Exchange frauds are "as common as dirt," to use an expressive simile, but the London Stock Exchange itself, sacred to the pious memory of Sir Thomas Gresham, is a national institution. Now, let us reduce a betting transaction to its simplest elements. A—never mind his reasons—considers that a certain horse will win a race. B does not think it will. "Now," says A, "not only do I think X will win, but I am prepared to suffer a certain pecuniary loss should he not win." "And" says B, "I am so certain that he will lose, that I for my part am willing to suffer a certain pecuniary loss should he win." Here you get down to the bed-rock of a bet pure and simple, and the development thereof with its infinite calculus of probabilities, its betting ring, *i.e.*, the market, in which knowledge, observation, calculation—and rascality—play so big a part, its Derby Days, its big stakes, its defaulters, its Tattersalls, its anything and everything you like—all these things leave the morality or otherwise of the transaction in its elementary form absolutely untouched. Regarded from a business point of view, as the enterprise opens up it is bound to resolve itself into two distinct sections—the backers on the one hand and the layers on the other, and because a man with a view to making money throws in his lot with the layers, and instead of merely being a layer against one becomes a layer against many, does that invest him *per se* with any attributes of criminality? Or, to quote our magistrate, does it constitute him a pest of society? Men exercise just as much calculation in backing a horse as they do, say, in speculating in gold mining shares, and if a district is "salted," as it may be, that does not serve to make gold mining speculation generally—unless one goes into very high regions of morality indeed—a pernicious form of enterprise, nor does it stamp the directors as rascals, unless they be privy to the "salting" aforesaid. Admitting, as one may safely admit, if he be quite sure that he thoroughly grasps the inner truth and profound wisdom of the aphorism that "the love of money is the root of all evil," it does not follow that a man who earns his living by laying the odds is more deeply permeated with a sordid love of money for the money's sake than anybody else—not more, for instance, than the gentleman who backs a horse with the "pest of society," and who would assuredly consider it mightily *infra dig.*—for our social conventionalities are funny little things—to mount the rostrum under the betting booth! Religion and morality and respectability are doubtless important factors in the march of civilisation, but the world is crammed with men and women who are so astoundingly and squeamishly religious, so virtuously moral, so sublimely respectable, that never, never can they forget or forgive the slip, or disability of an alleged erring brother or sister.

But we do not consider morality bad because a host of canting hypocrites profess it, do we? And we do not consider religion a sham because the vilest crimes have been, and now are committed in its name, do we? And we do not find fault with genuine respectability because beneath its cloak are sheltered a whole army of prigs, snobs and cads, saturated with their own contemptible arrogance and reeking with their own conceit, do we? The bookmaker may be a vulgar man—a common man—a comparatively uneducated, unrefined soul in a vulgar, common, uneducated and unrefined carcass,—or he may not. The abuse of betting is without question bad. So is the abuse of anything else. It makes all the difference between a clever writing master and a forger like Fauntleroy. The London magistrate has shown very clearly that magisterial powers are capable of the greatest abuse, for he has allowed his own personal prejudices and connections to blind him to issues which lie quite beyond them. If bookmakers are not to be afforded the protection of the law under which they exist, then let us be logical and make their calling illegal, but so long as that calling, within certain well defined limitations, be tolerated—nay, actively supported by a large section of the public—it is monstrous that intolerance should be dragged in to cast a slur upon the very name of Justice herself.—*Asian.*

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE:

English (*Rosetta*) 23rd inst.
American (*Coptic*) 25th inst.
Indian (*Arracan Apcar*) 25th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of Japan*) 26th inst.
American (*Doric*) 29th inst.
American (*City of Rio de Janeiro*) 3rd prox.
Tacoma (*Hankow*) 5th prox.
Tacoma (*Strathnevis*) 12th prox.

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THE Mutual Line steamship *Kumsun*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on the morning of the 15th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 21st inst.

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THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Peking*, with mails, etc., which left Hongkong on January 25th for San Francisco, *via* Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama, arrived at her destination on the 18th inst.

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SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 5 p.m. yesterday to 5 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS.

Tsinan	steamer,	from	Australia.
Choysang	"	"	Canton.
Arfaks Marn	"	"	Kutchinotsu.
Humber	store-ship	"	Nagasaki.

Aggregating 5,216 tons register.

DEPARTURES.

Cosmopolis	steamer,	for	Swatow.
Germania	"	"	Canton.
Daniel Barnes	"	"	New York.
Progner	"	"	Bangkok.
Victoria	"	"	Saigon.
Tatcheong	"	"	Swatow.
Dauteros	"	"	Bangkok.
Kwangtse	"	"	Singapore.
Choysang	"	"	Swatow.
Sabina Richmars	"	"	Amoy.
Piccola	"	"	Saigon.
Oslo	"	"	Saigon.

Aggregating 72,254 tons register.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

Chowfa	in	Kowloon	Dock.
Celoma	"	"	"
Kong Beng	"	"	"
Namoa	"	"	"
Tatcheong	"	"	"
Alacrity	"	"	"
Tat On	"	"	"
Ongang	"	Cosmopolitan	"
Morthg	"	"	"

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before Hon. W. M. Goodman, Acting Chief Justice.)

(February 19th.)

DRUGGING AND ROBBING.

At the conclusion of the evidence for the prosecution in this case the defendant made a speech lasting two hours in his own defence. His Lordship desired to adjourn the case until to-day, but at the request of the Jury summed up at a late hour, whereupon the Jury returned a verdict of "guilty" on two out of the three counts.

His Lordship thereupon delivered sentence of three years' imprisonment with hard labour.

This concluded the calendar for the sessions.

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One person, per month	60.00
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Extra Bed Room, per month	20.00
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Hongkong, 10th October, 1895. [97

Amusements.

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Prices $3, $2 and $1.

The Public are reminded that NO CHITS WILL BE TAKEN at the Booking Office.

LATE TRAMS 15 minutes after the Performance.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1896. [311

Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 39.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

MONDAY,

the 24th day of February, 1896, at 4 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 8th February, 1896. [344

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 24th day of February, 1896, at 4 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Three Lots of CROWN LAND, at North Point, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rt.	Upset price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	M.L. 277 / L.L. 1,367 / L.L. 1,366	North Point.	500 / 500 / 300	500 / 500 / 300	50 / 280	50 / 280	25,000 / 25,000 / 34,000	740	14,230

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 40.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

TUESDAY,

the 25th day of February, 1896, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 8th February, 1896. [345

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Tuesday, the 25th day of February, 1896, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Wanchai, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rt.	Upset price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
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ON and after MONDAY, the 17th instant, Mr. L. KENNARD DAVIS will Act as AGENT of the COMPANY at this BRANCH.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

B. C. T. GRAY,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. [343

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS in HONGKONG and CHINA for Messrs. RUDOLF DAESCHNER & Co. and MANAGERS of Messrs. RUDOLF DAESCHNER & Co.'s FEATHER FACTORY at KENNEDY TOWN, Hongkong.

LAUTE, WEGENER & Co.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. [334

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day Established myself as

SHIP AND GENERAL BROKER.

G. P. KARBERG.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. [344

Consignees.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"WINGSANG"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 21st instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [349

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "AFRIDI."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [3

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "PERU."

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Hongkong, 18th February, 1896 [3

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Intimations.

NAVAL CONTRACT, 1896-97.

SEALED TENDERS, in Duplicate, will be received by the NAVAL STOREKEEPER, H.M. NAVAL YARD, until 10 A.M. on FRIDAY, the 28th Instant, from Persons desirous of Supplying the undermentioned Articles for the use of H.M. Navy for the year 1896-97 :—

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SOFT BREAD,	RICE,
FLOUR,	SUGAR,
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FRESH VEGETABLES,	and
FRESH POTATOES,	WATER for Drinking and Boilers.

Printed Forms of Tenders and further Particulars can be obtained at the NAVAL STOREKEEPER'S OFFICE.

The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.

Hongkong Victualling Yard,
18th February, 1896 [352

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending 31st December, 1895, at the rate of ONE POUND AND FIVE SHILLINGS STERLING (£1.5/-) per Share of $125, is PAYABLE on and after MONDAY, the 17th day of February current, at the OFFICES of the CORPORATION, where Shareholders are requested to apply for WARRANTS.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. [340

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above COMPANY will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the COMPANY, 38 & 40, Queen's Road Central, on TUESDAY, the 25th Instant, at Eleven A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Governing Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1895.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th to the 26th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order,

HART BUCK,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1896 [336

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, No. 14, Praya Central, on TUESDAY, the 25th February, 1896, at 3 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1896.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 25th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. COOKE,
Acting General Manager.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. [262

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 27th proximo, at NOON, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1895, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 27th proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LD.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1896. [216

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED, will be held at the BANK'S Premises, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 7th day of March, at NOON.

The TRANSFER BOOKS and REGISTER of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th day of February to 7th day of March, both days inclusive.

By Order,

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [360

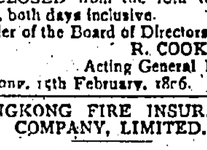
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Hongkong, 10th October, 1895. [18

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Hongkong, 23rd January, 1896. [52

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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "EXCELSIOR," HONGKONG, A. B. C. Code.
TELEPHONE, No. 35.

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ARRANGEMENTS can be made for TIFFIN or DINNER PARTIES in PRIVATE DINING-ROOMS.

For further Particulars apply to

THE MANAGER,
MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1895 [28

THE
CLUB HOTEL,
5, *BUND, YOKOHAMA.*

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The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every assistance given in clearing luggages and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.

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THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager, *YOKOHAMA.*
L. DEWETTE, Manager, *TOKYO.* [160

DIOCESAN SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE.

SCHOOL DUTIES will be RESUMED on MONDAY, the 24th Instant.

For Terms for BOARDERS or DAY-SCHOLARS, apply to

THE HEAD MASTER.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [357

WANTED.

MESSRS. GEO. FENWICK & CO., LTD., require the Services of an ENGINEER (unmarried) for their WORKS, from 1st April. Salary, $240 per mensem.

Applications, enclosing Testimonials, to be sent in writing to the GENERAL MANAGER of the COMPANY.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [205

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A DETACHED HOUSE in KOWLOON, with 4 to 5 Rooms and Tennis Ground or Garden.

Particulars to

S. S.,
c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1896. [342

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"LYEEMOON,"

Captain G. Heuermann, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 21st instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1896. [354

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"NANCHANG,"

Captain Finlayson, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 26th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [315

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"NERITE,"

Captain W. Daniel, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 28th instant.

For Freight, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [364

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"PORT ADELAIDE,"

Captain Morgan, will be despatched for the Port on or about the 28th instant, followed by the

S.S. "GHAZEE"

on or about 15th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1896. [278

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"DIOMED,"

Captain Bartlett, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 5th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [316

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"ZAFIRO,"

Captain Cobban, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, at 3 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [363

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"TSINAN,"

Captain Ramsay, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 22nd instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. [326

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAILOONG."

Captain Davis, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 23rd instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1896. [362

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI AND CHEFOO.

THE Steamship

"KWEILIN,"

Captain Harris, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 24th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [320

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A. I. British Ship

"BRODICK CASTLE,"

Ferguson, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1692

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A. I. British Ship

"QUEEN ELIZABETH,"

Fulton, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1896. [356

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 100 A. I. German Barque

"CERASTES,"

A. Petrie, Master, will leave as above set or about the 20th March, 1896.

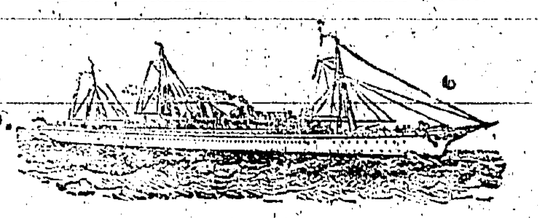
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CARLOWITZ & Co.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. [322

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CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

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Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 18th March.
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 8th April.
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 29th April.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY leaving there daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney Australia, *via* Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong *via* Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months, £100.

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THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. [3

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE;

VIA

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,

AND

ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Coptic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)	Tuesday, 3rd March, at Noon.
Gaelic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	Saturday, 21st March, at Noon, 1896.
Belgic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)	Wednesday, 8th April, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"COPTIC"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on TUESDAY, the 3rd March, 1896, at Noon. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*or vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.*

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1896. [2

NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

SANITARY SOFT SOAP.

"JEYES' FLUID"
THE BEST DISINFECTANT

DISINFECTANT SOAPS.

AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY ITS USE.

W. C. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
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Hongkong, 9th March, 1895. [9

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Peru (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)	Saturday, 22nd Feb., at Noon.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)	Thursday, 12th March, at Noon.
City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)	Tuesday, 31st March, at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"PERU"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 22nd Feb., 1896, at Noon, taking Passengers, and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European Officers in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, *via* Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1896. [1

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Hongkong, 16th July, 1895 [42

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO
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THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Prinz Heinrich ...	Tuesday ...	3rd March.	
Preussen	Tuesday ...	21st March.	
Sachsen	Tuesday ...	28th April.	
Karlsruhe	Tuesday ...	26th May.	
Prinz Heinrich ...	Tuesday ...	23rd June.	

ON TUESDAY, the 3rd day of March, 1896, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain W. Schmölder, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on SATURDAY, the 29th Feb. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY the 2nd March, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on MONDAY, the 2nd March. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1896. [272

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON $400.
Excellent accommodation. First-class Table. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK $350.
The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA $225.
Rates of Passage to other Points on application.
Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Hankow	3,594	Tuesday ...	Mar. 10.
Tacoma	2,549	Tuesday ...	April 7.
Victoria	2,167	Tuesday ...	May 5.

THE Steamship

"HANKOW,"

Captain W. S. Orr, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 10th March, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash., *via* SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate; and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1896. [4

RICKMERS LINE.

REGULAR MONTHLY SERVICE FROM BREMEN, MIDDLESBRO', ANTWERP AND HAMBURG,
VIA SUEZ CANAL TO
PENANG, SINGAPORE, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, HIOGO AND YOKOHAMA.

FROM HOME.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF THE NEW ELEGANT STEAMERS OF THE RICKMERS RICEMILLING, SHIPOWNING AND SHIPBUILDING COMPANY OF BREMEN.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.)

Dorothea Rickmers	3,846	December.
Delhi Rickmers	3,700	January.
Maria Rickmers	5,500	February.
Helene Rickmers	3,213	March.
Sophie Rickmers	3,240	April.
Ellen Rickmers	5,500	May.
Elisabeth Rickmers	5,500	June.

FROM THE EAST.

VIA SINGAPORE.

TO HAVRE, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, and other Continental Ports, if sufficient inducement offers.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM and ROTTERDAM).

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(SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS).

Dorothea Rickmers	3,846	March.
Delhi Rickmers	3,700	April.
Maria Rickmers	5,500	May.
Helene Rickmers	3,213	June.

THE Steamers are all FIRST-CLASS RISKS and are supplied with all the modern Appliances and powerful Engines.

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Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. [293

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